

REMARKS

By the above amendment, Applicant has amended the Specification and Claims called for in the 06/14/2005 Office Action (OA). The OA requires the Specification (including Claims) be presented in the following order:

- a. Title of the Invention
- b. Cross-References to Related Applications
- c. Federally Sponsored Research and Development
- d. Names of the Parties to a Joint Research Agreement
- e. Material Submitted on a Compact Disc
- f. Background of the Invention
- g. Brief Summary of the Invention
- h. Brief Description of the Drawings
- i. Detailed Description of the Invention
- j. Claims
- k. Abstract of the Invention
- l. Sequence Listing

The OA also requires that Applicant use Form 1449 for a listing of references and that the Abstract be shortened to under 150 words. In the original Application, the OA stated that claims 2, 6, 7, 9, 11-15, 17 and 18 are withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) and claims 1, 3-5, 8, 10, 16, 19 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101. The examination revealed that Applicant was unfamiliar with patent prosecution procedure. Applicant therefore attended the "10th Annual Independent Inventors Conference" held at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) campus in Alexandria, VA on August 11-13, 2005. Applicant has also reviewed section 714 (Amendments, Applicant's Action) in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Eighth Edition, August 2001, latest Revision May 2004 and Chapters 9 and 13 of "Patent It Yourself", 11th Edition by David Pressman, April 2005.

Applicant elected to use the substitute specification approach because the specification had to be completely rearranged and existing claims had to be (CURRENTLY AMENDED) or (WITHDRAWN). A separate marked up draft of the substitute specification is attached to this amendment to help Examiner determine what was changed and verify that no new matter was added. Of 20 original claims, 13 were amended (claims 1, 4-7, 9-11, 13-16 and 19), 7 were withdrawn (claims 2, 3, 8, 12, 17, 18 and 20) and 5 were added as new (claims 21-25). Total claims in this amendment equal 18. These 18 claims were reviewed by a Supervisory Patent Examiner during a one-on-one meeting with Applicant during the August 11-13 "10th Annual Independent Inventors Conference" with very positive comments on (CURRENTLY AMENDED) claims, (NEW) claims and drawings.



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CONCLUSIONS

For all the above reasons, Applicant submits that the specification and claims are now in proper form, and that the claims all define patentably over prior art. Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance, which action he respectfully solicits.

Conditional Request for Constructive Assistance

Applicant has amended the specification and claims of this application so they are proper, definite, and define novel structure which is also unobvious. If, for any reason this application is not believed to be in full condition for allowance, applicant respectfully requests the constructive assistance and suggestions of the Examiner pursuant to MPEP 2173.02 and 707.07(j) in order that the undersigned can place this application in allowance condition as soon as possible and without the need for further proceedings.

Very Respectfully,

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